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### YMCA DUAL THRUST IMPOSES NEW STRAINS

Efforts to cope with a mounting workload helped sharpen and temper the capabilities of the Montreal YMCA during the year ended May 31, 1970

"Resources were concentrated with telling impact in two major areas: building-based programs and outreach activities," state W.S. Kirkpatrick, president, and R.G. Rogers, general secretary, in the Association's latest annual report.

Major operations of the Montreal YMCA are carried on by four full-facility branches, four community branches, a camping branch (three camping facilities), a 500-room residence and a metropolitan outreach unit.

During the year, city-wide activities involved some 55,000 persons of all ages.

Branch-based programs filled a wide range of needs. Some of them provided youth and adults with satisfying outlets for leisure time energies. Others encouraged self-development. Perhaps best-known of all were fitness-promoting activities.

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Under the heading of 'outreach', the Y initiated and integrated a number of undertakings affecting a diversified range of community concerns, particularly as they pertain to youth.

"Many of the problems would have been self-perpetuating if ignored, compounding the costs of dealing with them in the future," say Messrs. Kirkpatrick and Rogers.

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